

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Keauhou arrived this morning.

"Gus" Spreckels leaves for Maui to-night.

U. Schaefer is second lieutenant of Co. E.

Board of Health meets to-morrow at 3 p. m.

Frank Vida is on the high road to recovery but he is not out yet.

A number of new advertisers will have our attention to-morrow.

Election of officers at the American League will take place on Friday.

The Lillie E. Starbuck sails for New York to-day with a cargo of sugar.

Many island steamers departed to-day and all were crowded with passengers.

Mrs. John Parker and Miss Eva Parker left in the Kinau to-day for Waimea.

Affidavits in the matter of Dr. Armitage have, we learn from Maui, been sent in.

The expenses of the June term at Wailuku just finished were \$1488.20 or a little over.

The St. Louis College band gives a concert this afternoon at the college grounds.

The Lehua sneaked out again last night. When that appropriation be exhausted?

Willie Rickard, the oldest son of W. H. Rickard, returned to the islands in the Warrimoo.

There are probably enough senators to defeat W. R. Castle's nomination if it is persisted in.

The Senate does its business in committees the public only hearing the result of its matured wisdom.

Judge Whiting sits on the Supreme Court bench on the appeal cases as Judge Bickerton is still ill.

There was only a slim audience at the Emma Square concert last evening, owing to the masonic ball.

The stockholders of Ewa Plantation Co., will meet to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 at Castle & Cooke's office.

A carriage belonging to the California Fruit Market was smashed last evening through the runaway of the horse.

Nieper the expressman who was so seriously injured a few weeks ago is again round to business and wishes your work.

The volunteers are now to be trained in camp life. Two companies at a time will try tent sleeping and mosquitoes.

Among the passengers in the Australia yesterday were the McAuliffe brothers who have had charge of W. H. Cornwell's race horses.

It is understood that Dr. Emerson has been appointed to the position of Station House physician in the place of Dr. Cooper who goes to the jail.

The reserved seat sale for the Marquardt concerts will commence promptly at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning at Hobron's Drug Store. There is a strong demand for seats.

The Hawaiian Hardware Co. has exhausted the first invoice of the celebrated Monarch bicycle. Four dozens have been ordered and most will be sold in advance of the arrival.

Mr. and Mrs. Neumann will be at home to their friends from 7:30 to 9:30 this evening. Paul looks as youthful as ever to-day and not a bit the worse for his 25 years jubilee.

Mrs. B. F. Dillingham, a member of the Board of Education, entertained a number of teachers last evening at her residence. The entertainment was given on behalf of the Board.

A large crowd gathered at the Oceanic wharf yesterday at the departure of the Australia. The band gave Professor Berger a special send-off.

The vehicle tires and axle bill will cause a lot of work for carriage builders and blacksmiths if it goes into law. No vehicle can be used after July 1896 on these islands unless its wheels and axles are fitted to the legal size.

The Board of Education has received 1500 new primers and a lot of other fresh supplies of school books which are required on account of the number of young children now being received in the schools being something unprecedented.

Hustace & Co., and Hackfeld & Co., each lost a valuable horse yesterday. The animal belonging to Hustace was kicked and had to be shot, and the belonging to Hackfeld got seriously injured by trying to jump an iron fence and met the same fate.

A parrot escaped from the Chinese domestic of a house on King street near Richards street. The crowd that gathered round and the confusion of exclamations they made, and the presence of a Manila monkey chained to a tree, made, for a few minutes, a regular "monkey and parrot time."

THE HAWAIIAN NEWS.

The calm with which the Hawaiian news of the Queen's abdication was received both here and in Washington caused the public genuine surprise. We expected it to throw the whole missionary community into the violent agitation with which all previous intelligence from the island had been received. But the *Tribune* dismissed it in a small perfunctory paragraph, and Lodge, Frye, Boutelle & Company, far from extending any "dust and sweat" on it, passed it over in a sort of mournful silence. Yet, rightly considered, it was the most important "triumph of the Gospel" yet achieved in the land of heathen. In fifty years or thereabouts the missionaries have not only converted the natives to Christianity, and witnessed the reduction of their numbers by one-half, but their Sons, aided by other believers, have got hold of about two-thirds of the land of the island, and all the fertile portion of it. The folly of leaving the natives in possession of the Government, after the property had passed into the hands of foreigners, then became apparent to the humblest white Christian in the place, and it was determined to dethrone the Queen. It would have been difficult to dethrone her for want of title, or on account of her color—or on account of the poor quality of her government, considering the quality of that of some of our own States. So it was determined to dethrone her for unchastity and heathen practices. But to do this it was necessary that somebody should commit treason and expose himself to the loss of his head. So it was decided to get the United States minister to join in a righteous conspiracy to persuade the Queen that it was the United States that was deposing her, and to land sailors for that purpose. Accordingly she surrendered, and the Christians turned to Washington to get themselves annexed, taking care to get there before the Queen's people and secure this great triumph of righteousness before they arrived. They did not secure annexation, but they were successful in setting up a God-fearing, chaste, and self-sacrificing republic, in which every man was to have his vote and every child his school, and all money was to be made by the sale of Sunday books and newspapers.

After a few months of this happy and holy regime, which the wicked Cleveland and the blundering Gresham tried to upset by diabolical negligences, plots, and ignorances, some of the natives determined to commit treason by an armed

rising against this good missionary-and-sugar Government. They failed, as wicked men are apt to fail, and all fell into the hands of the Christian police, after a brief residence in the extinct crater of a volcano. Of the atrocity of their offence we can hardly trust ourselves to speak. To employ heathen violence to overthrow what Christian violence and fraud have set up, is almost a crime against human nature. These misguided men are being tried by court-martial, and how good it is of the Sons of the Missionaries to try them even by court-martial, or to try them at all. Instant execution by their captors would have been too good for them. Why should they be tried when taken with arms in their hands? The one good reason for trying them that we see is, that the proper punishment for treason, which is decapitation, may be inflicted on them in the public square. We can recall no case in which treason has been committed under such circumstances of aggravation. A rising against any established government is an awful crime, but what shall we say of a rising against a government of good, wise, chaste men, who seek nothing through their rule except the elevation of the natives and the triumph of the true religion?

The Queen, however, has done worse than commit treason. Gladly would we pass over without comment her last outrage on the republic, but we have a duty to perform. She knew well—she must have known—that in claiming the crown and pretending to consider herself wrongfully deposed, she was rendering the only service in her power to the men who, for her sake and that of her people, have set up a republic in their midst. As a centre of monarchical and especially British intrigue, as a person for conspirators to rally round and restore to the throne, she knew well how important she was not only to the republic and to the New York *Tribune* but to Lodge, Frye, Boutelle & Co., who are doing "the work of the world" in Washington. Knowing this, however, she has formally, and in her prison, surrounded by cocoanut bombs, abdicated. She has signed away all claim to the throne in the most formal manner. She has left no one to furnish a centre for monarchical or British intrigues. There is now no one for the rebels to rally round. No wonder the news has created no excitement in Hawaiian circles in this country. It is too atrocious an offence for anything but silent sorrow. It justifies everything that the Missionaries have said of this wicked, wicked woman. A week ago we would have protested against her execution for treason. We would have said that although, by both human and divine law, she merited the fate of Charles I., yet, considering how much milder manners have become during the last two hundred years, considering the clemency of our own treatment of Jefferson Davis and other rebels, a plea should be entered for a gentler punishment—say for perpetual imprisonment, or banishment to a Populist State. But now we have not a word to say against her execution. Let her be beheaded, and her blood be on her own head.

We would we could stop here, but if we are not greatly mistaken, Dole—President Dole of the republic, our own Dole—is also a traitor. He is advocating the cession of Necker Island to a British telegraph company for a station for an ocean cable, although he knows well that the British Government would fortify it and keep a garrison in it, and thus "dominate" the whole group of islands. Why does he do this? Alas! The answer to this reveals only too clearly the degeneracy of the times. What reason but one can there be for his conduct? What does Senator Lodge think it is? What does the ancient poet say about the influence of gold on human conduct? What do the British maintain the gold standard for? Need we go further into this painful subject?—*The Nation*.

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